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Serial No. **10/697,468**
Prel. Amdt. dated March 30, 2005**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Before this preliminary amendment, Claims 1-27 were pending, with Claims 1, 11, and 22 in independent form. In this preliminary amendment, paragraph [0041] is being amended to correct a typographical error. In addition, Claims 11 and 22 are being amended, and Claims 28-41 are being added, with Claims 28, 30, 33, 38, 39, 40, and 41 being in independent form. After entry of this preliminary amendment, Claims 1-41 will be pending, with Claims 1, 11, 22, 28, 30, 33, 38, 39, 40, and 41 being in independent form.

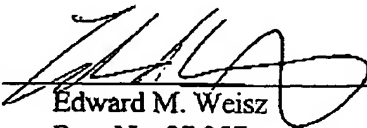
Newly added Claims 28-40 contain no new matter. Support for newly added Claims 28, 30, 33, and 41 can be found at least in at least one of originally filed Claims 1, 11, and 22; newly added Claims 29 and 31, at least in originally filed Claim 22; newly added Claims 32, 34, and 35, at least in paragraph [0041] as originally filed; newly added Claim 36, at least in originally filed Claim 12; newly added Claim 37, at least in originally filed Claim 13; and newly added Claims 38-40, at least in originally filed FIGS. 4A, 4B, and 5, as well as their accompanying description in paragraphs [0039] to [0050].

Early examination and favorable consideration of the above-identified application is earnestly solicited.

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